

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

(MBHB 97-195-P)

In re the Application of: )  
Burg et al. )  
Application No: 09/901,181 ) Group Art Unit: 1637  
Filed: July 9, 2001 ) Examiner: Kim  
For: Improved Nucleic Acid Assays ) Conf. No.: 6516  
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**SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313

Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Communication dated October 24, 2006, in the above-identified application. It is believed that no fee is due in connection with this filing; however, the Commissioner is authorized to charge our deposit account 13-2490 if a fee is necessary.

In the Office Communication dated October 24, 2006, the Office notes that Applicants did not respond to the rejection of claims "25 and 35" under 35 U.S.C. 103(a). Applicants note that the correct claim numbers are "25 and 36." This supplemental response includes responses that were mistakenly omitted from the August 24, 2006 response. Applicants regret the error.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.